



# **Pay and Personnel Conference**

Special Compensation for Severely Disabled

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## Eligible/Non Eligible Members

- Is not retired for disability (Chapter 61)
- Is in a retired status – members suspended for VA or CSA are considered eligible
- A member recalled to active duty is not in a retired status
- Retired pay multiplier must not be less than 50%
- A reservist must have 7,200 points or more
- TERA retirees are not eligible unless recalled to active duty

## Qualified For Special Compensation

- qualified service connected disability (under 38 USC 101)
- disability should have been incurred or aggravated in the performance of duty and rated not less than 70%
- disability must qualify in terms of being both ORIGINAL and CURRENT

### Original Qualification

- disability must be or have been rated by the VA as not less than 70% disabling within 4 years of the date of retirement

### Current Qualification

- disability must also be rated by the VA as 70% or greater in a given month (10/1/99) or no entitlement for that month
- special compensation is not proratable

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